TEACHERS' RETIREMENT BOARD

BENEFITS AND SERVICES COMMITTEE

| SUBJECT: LEVEL OF SERVICE STANDARDS | ITEM NUMBER: <u>9</u> |
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| | ATTACHMENT: <u>1</u> |
| ACTION: | DATE OF MEETING: July 13, 2000 |
| INFORMATION: X | PRESENTER(S): Michael Carter |

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Level of Service report provides the Benefits and Services Committee with the necessary information to fulfill its oversight responsibility regarding the delivery of benefits and services to CalSTRS members. The following reports for the month of May 2000.

I. Overview

- A. Fiscal Year Allowance Roll: CalSTRS paid a total of 162,366 benefit recipients \$279,797,490 in May 2000. The average monthly allowance roll for FY 1999/2000 is \$278,324,717. Total disbursements for FY 1999/2000 are \$3,061,571,889.
- B. Service Levels: All programs are performing within acceptable variance levels.
- C. Application Volume: An overall increase of six percent in comparison to the same period last fiscal year.
- D. Interest Payments: The total interest payment volume for May 2000 increased nine percent as compared to May 1999. The dollar amount of interest paid increased fifty-five percent as compared to May 1999.
- II. Individual Program Reports: Pages 1-7
- III. Miscellaneous Items: Pages 8 9

Service Retirements

Objective Process 100 percent of all service retirement

application payments within 30 days of the retirement effective date or receipt of completed application, whichever is later.

Application Volume Change

Minus one percent in comparison to same

period last fiscal year.

| INITIAL PAYMENTS | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|----------|-------|-------|----------|--|--|--|--|
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| 98% + | | | | | | | | |
| 96% + | | | | | | | | |
| 94% + | | | | | | | | |
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| 92% + | | | | | | | | |
| 92% + 90% + | Fehruary | March | April | Mey | | | | |
| | February | March | April | May | | | | |
| | February | March | April | May 100% | | | | |

FY 1998/99 actual: 99 percent **Baseline**

Year to Date Average: 100%

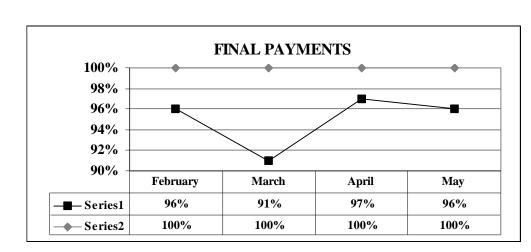
Objective Process 100 percent of all final service

retirement payments within 45 days of

receipt of all necessary information.

Interest **Payments** July 1999 - May 2000 Number of Payments: 311 Dollar Amount: \$2,013

FY 1998/99 actual: 98 percent **Baseline**

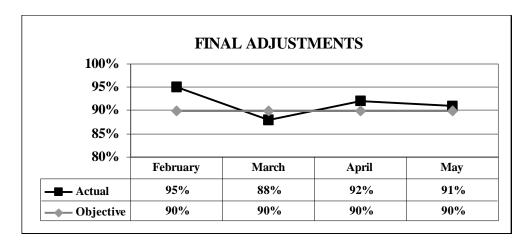


Year to Date Average 96%

Service Retirements

Objective

Finalize 90 percent of all payments within four months of the retirement effective date.



Baseline FY 1998/99 actual: 91 percent Year to Date Average: 92%

Disability

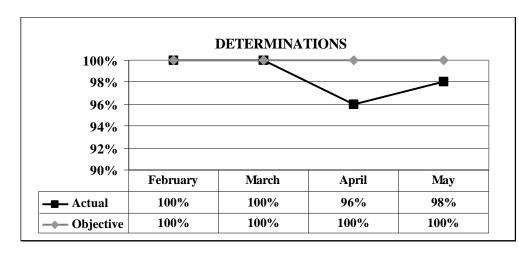
Objective

Process 100 percent of all eligible applications within 180 days of receipt.

Application Volume Change

Plus eighteen percent in comparison to same

period last fiscal year.



FY 1998/99 actual: 99 percent **Baseline**

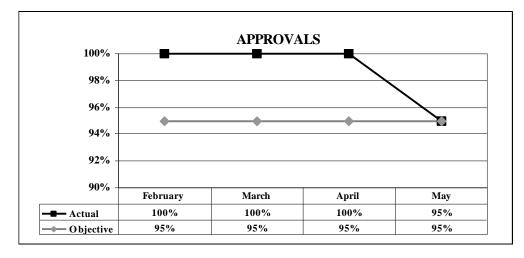
Year to Date Average: 98%

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Disability

Objective

Process 95 percent of all approvals within 30 days of receipt of all necessary information.



Baseline

FY 1998/99 actual: 100 percent

Year to Date Average: 99%

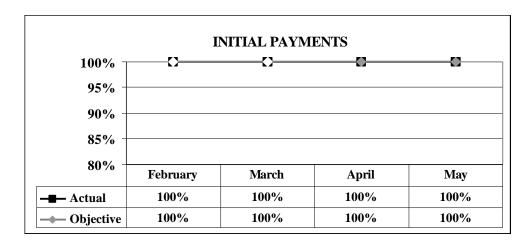
Objective

Process 100 percent of all initial payments within ten working days following the latter of the disability approval date, disability effective date or receipt of all necessary information.

Interest

Payments

July 1999 – May 2000 Number of Payments: 0 Dollar Amount: \$0



Baseline

FY 1998/99 actual: 100 percent

Year to Date Average: 100%

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Survivor Benefits

Objective Process 95 percent of all applications within

30 days of receipt of all necessary

information.

Application Volume

Change

Thirteen percent increase in comparison to

same period last fiscal year.

Interest Payments July 1999 – May 2000 Number of Payments: 173

Dollar Amount: \$21,497

DEATH PAYMENTS 100% 98% 96% 94% 92% 90% **February** March April May 95% 99% 98% 98% Actual Objective 95% 95% 95% 95%

Baseline

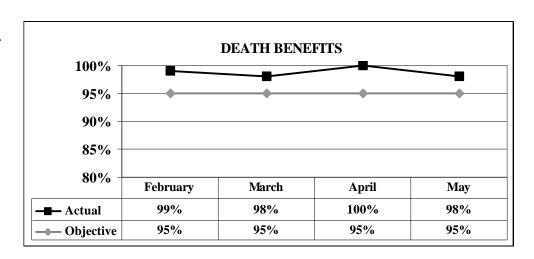
FY 1998/99 actual: 97 percent

Year to Date Average: 97%

Objective

Complete 95 percent of all payments for retired members within 90 days of receipt of

notification of death.



Baseline

FY 1998/99 actual: 93 percent

Year to Date Average: 98%

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Public Service

Objective Answer 95 percent of all calls in less than

three minutes.

Volume Change -9.43 percent decrease.

Notes Average queue time: 39 seconds

Longest queue wait: nine minutes

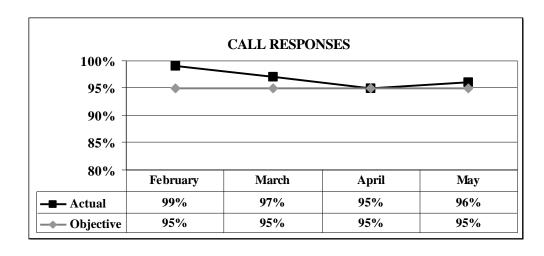
Baseline FY 1998/99 actual: 94 percent

FY 1996/97 Objective:

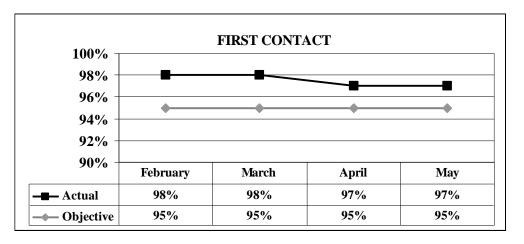
75 percent/less than three minutes.

Objective Answer 95 percent of all calls on the first

contact.



Year to Date Average: 93%



Year to Date Average: 97%

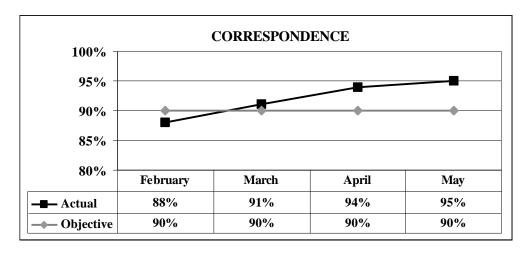
Baseline FY 1998/99 actual: 98 percent

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Public Service

Objective Respond to 90 percent of all correspondence

in ten working days.

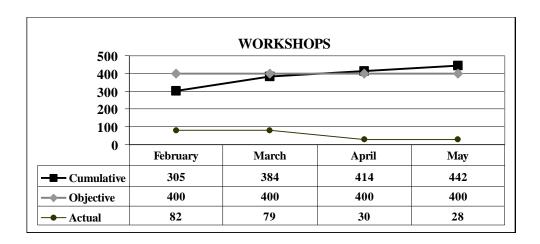


Baseline FY 1998/99 actual: 94 percent

Year to Date Average: 93%

Regional Counseling Services

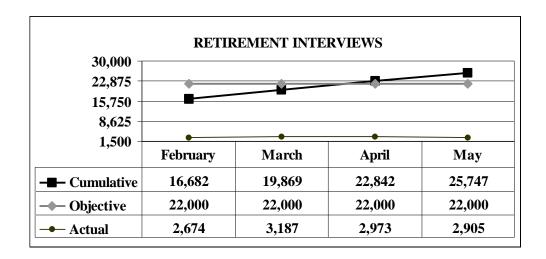
Objective Conduct 400 workshops



Baseline FY 1998/99 actual: 491

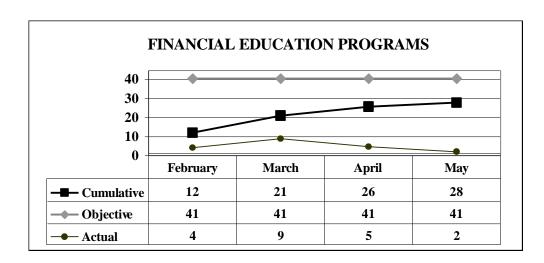
Regional Counseling Services

Objective Provide 22,000 retirement interviews.



Baseline FY 1998/99 actual: 24,657

Objective Deliver 41 Financial Education Program to CalSTRS members.



Baseline FY 1998/99 actual: 32

III. Miscellaneous

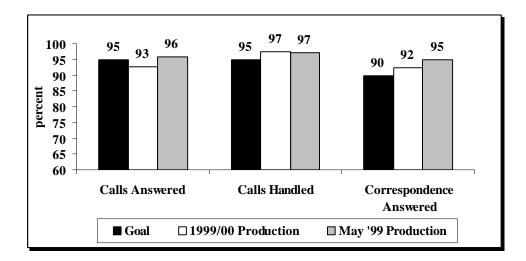
Outstanding Survivor Benefit Cases: The Education Code requires a report to the Board on outstanding Survivor Benefit cases not Α. paid within six months of the notification of death. As of May 2000, there were 85 cases exceeding this threshold. In April 2000, there were 106 cases beyond the six-month processing period, while in March there were 114 cases exceeding the six-month threshold.

В. **One-Year Final Compensation:** During the current fiscal year, three school districts have chosen to participate in this program.

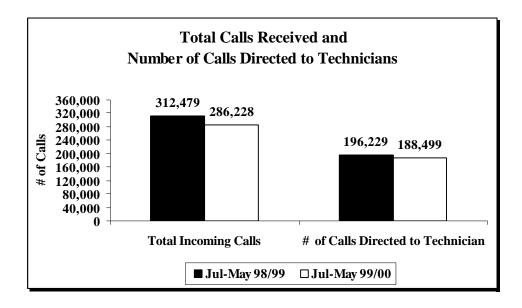
C. Golden Handshake:

July - May 1999 191 districts / 235 participants 88 districts / 144 participants July - May 2000

Telephone Center: D.



D. **Telephone Center: (continued)**



| Туре | (1) Benchmark 90/91 | (2) July-May 98/99 | (3) July-May 99/00 | % of Change (3) - (2) (2) | May 2000 |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Total Incoming Calls | 195,858 | 312,479 | 286,228 | -8.40% | 25,485 |
| Technician Calls | 117,913 | 196,229 | 188,499 | -3.94% | 18,101 |
| Automated Attendant Calls | 31,895 | 79,995 | 62,089 | -22.38% | 5,197 |
| Teletalk Calls | 46,050 | 36,255 | 28,256 | -22.06% | 2,187 |